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12 March 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Training

SUBJECT : Weekly Report of School of Intelligence and World Affairs No. 10, 5 - 11 March 1971

COURSE ACTIVITIES

1. Advanced Intelligence Seminar

During its first three days, beginning 3 March, the AIS discussed with a series of Agency officials and recent alumni the Agency's performance over the past 20 years. This week the class is at Headquarters discussing U.S. foreign policy in a changing world with distinguished outside speakers. Next week the seminar will meet with senior Agency officials both at [REDACTED] and at Headquarters to discuss the Agency's role in the 70's.

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The class has been very responsive and has raised good questions with all the speakers. The one theme which seems to stand out is whether or not the Agency's product is being well received downtown and is having much influence in policymaking circles. Questions along this line have been directed to almost every speaker. [REDACTED], all of whom held high policymaking positions, were particularly candid in responding to questions of this type.

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2. Intelligence Techniques Course

Thirty-one students, including four non-CTs, finished ITC 2-71 which ended on 5 March. Student critiques were more than usually positive, with highest marks going to the newest element of the course, the day spent with production office analysts at Headquarters. Further details and comment follow in the course report.

3. Intelligence and World Affairs

The Intelligence and World Affairs (IWA) course which finishes this week has had both strengths and weaknesses. A weakness has been a casual attitude among a few class members demonstrated in tardiness, absences, and waste of reading time. Fortunately, the majority have shown continued interest and good participation in panel discussions and seminars. The excellent quality of the guest speakers has been a strong point. To improve the appeal for the less interested student we may try in the next course to increase his personal involvement.

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Briefing Requests

1. The 6970th Support Group Junior Officers' Council, composed of company grade officers detailed to NSA, requested a repeat of the briefing tour at Headquarters provided them last June. The Council President's letter noted that "the response from all who went was of such a favorable nature that interest by others who were unable to attend has been intense and active". As both 1A07 and 1A13 are booked throughout March and April and most of May, the group has accepted our counter-offer to have [REDACTED] brief them at NSA on 18 March. Some visitors from Headquarters, USAF Security Service, San Antonio, Texas, will also attend.

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The training will be given some time next month. SIWA's contribution will probably be one day on finished intelligence production with emphasis on national estimates.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. Publication of History of 1967 NSA Flap

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The CA Staff has published the three-volume history of the National Student Association/Ramparts flap, which [REDACTED] produced for CA in 1967-68. It took more than two years for the history to be cleared through several CS checkpoints, edited by the CS Historical Staff, and typed in final form.

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2. [REDACTED]

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Still on the trail of Walter Trohan, the Chicago Tribune correspondent who leaked a story on General Donovan in 1945, [REDACTED] met with James S. Lay, secretary of the J.I.C. when the Donovan and J.I.C. papers were leaked. Lay said that at the time all concerned thought Trohan's characterization of the Donovan plan as a "Gestapo" plan pointed to the FBI as the culprit. This has always been the dominant suspicion, although Tom has recently pieced together some circumstantial evidence which points equally convincingly at the then G-2, General Clayton Bissell -- no mean foe of OSS. Incidentally, Trohan just a week ago wrote a column on how the FBI, G-2, ONI, and others bugged his phones in pre-war days to determine the sources of his stories.

3. OTR Interim Progress Report on Savings (Reports Inventory Task Force)

Our latest OTR progress report on savings resulting from the reduction of OTR reports was sent to the Support Services Staff this week. Elimination of five ISS computerized reports last year (before the OTR Reports Inventory was completed) led to savings estimated at about \$50,000.

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SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS OF TOP LEVEL AGENCY OFFICERS

In accordance with the DD/TR memo of 1 March 1971, following are the top level Agency officers scheduled to speak at the Advanced Intelligence Seminar, [REDACTED]

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Monday, 15 March

0830 - 1015 [REDACTED], Chief of Staff, ONE

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1030 - 1200 [REDACTED], Assistant Deputy/NIPE

1600 - 1730 [REDACTED] Legislative Counsel

Tuesday, 16 March

1900 - 2100 Colonel L. K. White, Executive Director-Comptroller

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Chief, School of Intelligence
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